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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

MS Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

In response to the restriction requirement set forth in the Office Action mailed April 24, 2006, applicant hereby provisionally elects Group II, claims 1-15, 16-34 and 38 for continued examination, with traverse.

Applicants make this election without prejudice to pursuance of any original material in a later filed application claiming priority to the instant application. Applicants submit that no unreasonable burden is incurred by search of groups wherein certain of the delineated variables are defined more broadly than those recited in the Action. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the restriction requirement.

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